



GREENWAY NEWSLETTER

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UPDATE ON POSSIBLE NEW 80 FOOT CELL TOWER ON 125th AVE AT WEST COAST STORAGE

Greenway NAC took a position opposing the plan submitted by AT&T and instead recommended that the tower be of a stealth design. The cell tower was an allowed use on the property so modification of the design was the only way to keep the tower from being an eyesore. I presented the NAC's position at the Planning Commission meeting. AT&T attacked the stealth design by saying a stealth tower would not have the required coverage and adding other vendors antennas to this tower would be impossible. After the Planning Commission meeting I did some research on stealth cell towers and I believe that there are stealth designs available that would have sufficient coverage and allow additional vendors. The Planning Commission decision was in favor of AT&T by a 4 to 3 vote. The original plan of the NAC was to appeal this decision to City Council but a new vote was necessary to get reimbursement of the \$1449.00 appeal fee. This vote was scheduled for the NAC's April meeting and attendance was so low that we could not vote on the appeal as we did not have a quorum as required by our bylaws. It looks like we will now have an ugly cell tower at the West Coast Storage site.

GREENWAY TOTEM ART UNVEILING AND 2nd ANNUAL GARDEN TOUR

Greenway NAC is currently working on an **Oak Tree Garden and Totem Art installation project** on Settler Way, which will be unveiled during the neighborhood's **Second Annual Garden Tour on Saturday, June 28, 2014** (10 a.m. unveiling. Garden Tour goes from 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.). Totem Art Unveiling will take place in the traffic island on Settler Way under the large oak tree. Approximate address is 12030 SW Settler Way.

NEXT GREENWAY NAC MEETING

Greenway NAC will not be meeting until September or October. I do not have an exact date as Conestoga Middle School does not allow room reservations until the calendar for the next school year is complete, which usually happens around the end of July. Further information will be sent when dates are available.

CONCERT IN THE PARK (GREENWAY PARK)

A free community concert will take place at Greenway Park on Thursday, July 31 from 6 - 8 PM. Family friendly music, food and beverages (not free but a good value), and other festivities are planned. The featured group this year is the [The Blackberry Bushes](#). Blackberry plays a twangy yet sophisticated bluegrass. The stage will be located off of Parkview and there is plenty of parking on the neighborhood streets.

CITY OF BEAVERTON COMMUNITY SURVEY

The City of Beaverton has launched an online survey in support of the "What's Next, Beaverton?" project, an interactive web-based conversation about Beaverton's future. The survey asks participants to share their priorities for Beaverton, their ideas for improving the city, and their suggestions for what the Mayor and City Council should focus on in the coming years. Please Take a Few Minutes to Share Your Opinions – Available Until Friday, June 27. Online Survey; <http://www.beavertoncommunitysurvey.com>

PICNIC IN THE PARK (SEXTON MOUNTAIN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL)

Please join Mayor Denny Doyle and your Beaverton City Council for the “Picnic in the Park” event taking place at Sexton Mountain Elementary (15645 SW Sexton Mountain Drive) on Monday, June 16th from 6-7:30 PM. See the following web site for more information including a chance to win a laptop;

<http://www.beavertonoregon.gov/picnic>

RECYCLING DAY HAS BEEN CANCELLED FOR 2014

The City of Beaverton’s Recycling Day has been cancelled for 2014 due to the lack of a suitable site for the event. The Westgate site, where the event has been conducted for the past five years, is not available this year due to construction. After evaluating many other options, an alternative location was not found that meets the city’s criteria for the event. The city allocates \$6,000 each year to reward volunteers who attend Recycling Day, which in turn is used by each NAC on great community projects. The NACs that provide the most volunteers to the event received the largest amount of the \$6,000. This year there will be other opportunities to volunteer to get a portion of the \$6,000. The NACs with the most volunteer hours overall will receive the larger portion of the funding. Visit the following web site for more information;

<http://www.beavertonoregon.gov/RecyclingDay>

WATERWISE GARDENING: 10 SIMPLE WAYS TO SAVE

Landscapes add value, beauty and livability to our homes. With water use often doubling in the dry summer months due to outdoor watering, lawns and gardens also offer great potential to save time, money and water by making simple waterwise improvements. In the Portland area, we receive 90 percent of our rainfall October through May. That means we use the most water during the very same months that we get the least rain. Being efficient with your water use makes sound economic and environmental sense, and helps our region meet its long-term water supply needs. Waterwise gardening doesn’t have to look like a typical southwest cactus and rock landscape. Rather, waterwise gardening practices that incorporate efficient watering tips can create beautiful landscapes that are multi-colored, vibrant and bountiful, even during the hottest summer days. For 10 tips to help you save water and money this summer, visit the Regional Water Providers Consortium at www.conserveh2o.org.

FANNO CREEK TRAIL CROSSING ON HALL

The new Hawk pedestrian crossing signal is now operational. The trail alignments will be updated in the spring after the weather improves. For information on these new signals see this Beaverton web site;

<http://www.beavertonoregon.gov/index.aspx?NID=1197>. **If you have any questions or suggestions about the HAWK signal** or any other traffic control device, please contact Jabra Khasho, City Transportation Engineer, at (503) 526-2221.

GREENWAY NAC ON FACEBOOK

Greenway NAC is now on Facebook. The NAC Facebook page is set up as an organization so it is a little different than a personal Facebook page. Here is a link to the Greenway NAC Facebook page;

<http://www.facebook.com/GreenwayNeighborhood>. You do not have to be signed up for Facebook to go to this page. However, if you are a Facebook user, you can “like” the page and your Facebook news feed will contain any new NAC updates. The City of Beaverton’s Facebook page is at <http://www.facebook.com/CityofBeaverton>.